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Because it's not your culture, your face, your people being whitewashed on the stage/screen.

Check your privilege.
#WhiteWashedBG gets demands fulfilled by the University

Meredith Siegel  
Forum Editor

Following the controversy about the University “whitewashing” the cast of its only musical, the Theatre and Film Department held two town halls to discuss what changes will be made going forward.

Students, including English major Camila Piñero, brought a list of demands to the University. These demands were intended to hold the department accountable on race-conscious casting and reaching out to students of color.

The department also had a list of responses to this issue and that list had essentially the same thing as the student’s list, said Lesa Lockford, the department chair.

“I’m really happy that the students are committed and feel very powerfully about these issues. That matters a lot. I’m really welcoming of the fact that they felt empowered to be able to do that. I’d much rather they be vocal than be silent,” she said in response to the backlash.

The demands had three core issues they wanted implemented in the department.

The first was for the department to create a statement on the website that essentially states they will not put up whitewashed shows by Nov. 2. Though according to Piñero, there was some pushback on that idea.

“Those statements usually have to be approved, and they didn’t want the University associated with the word whitewashing — if you were to Google it, they wouldn’t want people to just assume without looking into it, but we were very adamant,” she said. “You see that and see, wow, they really care about it … that is the most basic thing you can do” to ensure students of color feel respected in the department.

The second demand was to put up workshops for students and faculty on the experiences of performers of color, casting and learning about these issues in theater and film. These workshops would be mandatory.

The third is the creation of a required course that deals with the same issues as the workshops, but the class will take years to implement.

The department agreed to all of the demands presented by students.

These issues and ideas are important to those students of color because they feel disrespected in the department. Piñero shared stories of friends who felt unsafe and stressed out by going to classes in the Theatre and Film Department, so much so that they left the department altogether.

“What is very sad to me is that I think a lot of students have been silenced; that’s what I’m hearing,” Lockford said. “Students created an opportunity to talk about these issues so that students won’t feel silenced, won’t feel disrespected.”

When talking about casting, Lockford said a “chief” part of the very long discussion about picking shows is “about whether or not we are offering roles for people of color, whether or not there is representation for diversity within the shows that we offer. Or, that we’re offering roles that any person could be in.”

In the case of this year’s musical, which Piñero says is highly coveted because it only comes once a year, the understudy parts for the main cast can’t,” she continued.

“Urchins” were given to white women. This was harmful because those roles are traditionally played by black women, Piñero said.

Lockford did not have a hand in casting, but she said the idea by giving out understudy roles is to create a realistic environment, and to give out more parts because these shows have small casts. They did not think the casting of the understudies would be an issue because understudies are cast with the idea that they never perform for the public.

However, they are given one full performance before the show is put on, and Piñero says this show should also utilize actors of the race or ethnicity suited for each part.

“By implication you’re telling everybody you’re willing to let them go on as a street urchin in the event that one of the girls in the main cast can’t,” she continued.

Piñero, who identifies as both Puerto Rican and Latina, has seen very few roles for people like her, and even fewer actually played by people like her.

“For you to grow up and continue not seeing yourself in books, movies and TV shows and theater performances it kind of just makes you feel like your stories don’t matter and your people don’t matter. And in the case of miscasting shows, not only do you not feel important you feel like you are not even good enough to tell your own story,” she said.

Piñero said she wants to see more people of color showing up to auditions, and that means better marketing from the department, especially to students who don’t study theater or film. She thinks this will help the issue because the department is currently “fairly racially homogeneous,” so adding more people of color to the pool of who is being casted will allow for people of color to be in their shows.
7 scary Bowling Green attractions and haunted locations

Are you looking to keep the fun and spookiness of Halloween going? This list of haunted attractions near Bowling Green and other supposedly haunted locations on and near campus are the perfect way to bring the scary festivities into November.

1. Haunted Hydro
The Haunted Hydro celebrates its 29th year open with scarier attractions than ever before in Fremont, Ohio. From now until Nov. 3, it offers three new attractions. The attractions include two level-one escape rooms, one level-two escape room, an updated Hydro Museum and gift shop, a new horror reality game show called WOODS and three new haunted houses. Thirteen ghosts are spread throughout the haunted grounds, so beware! Tickets range from $15 to $40 and can be purchased at the door. Haunted Hydro is located on 1333 Tiffin St., Fremont.

2. House of Damnation
The House of Damnation started as a backyard attraction that has since gained screams from its terrified guests. On Halloween night until Nov. 2, tickets are on sale for the Haunted House and the Masquerade Ball. Tickets are priced between $10 and $25. The House of Damnation is located at 2901 Key St., Maumee.

3. Distracted Haunted House
Open through Nov. 4, this haunted house is told through a story. In 2017, a young girl and her friends were lost, missing inside the house. Their disappearance is just the beginning to the maze. Participants go into a pitch black haunted house with nothing but a glow stick. It has been said that cold breath can be felt on the neck of the brave souls who dare to enter. Tickets range from $10 to $25. Fast pass tickets can be purchased for an increased rate. This haunted attraction is located at 3180 Levis Commons Blvd., Perrysburg.

4. Wood County Infirmary
This location, a part of the Wood County Historical Center and Museum, is said to be in an eerie location. There have been multiple ghost and spirit encounters within the building. The staircase leading to the now closed second floor is said to be the creepiest part of the building. People often feel uneasy when standing near the staircase. There is a rumor that one resident murdered another by pushing them down these steps. The spirit of the victim is said to haunt the second floor. Other sightings have been found on the outside grounds of a mysterious black figure of a man in a cape who walks the sidewalks. Orbs and EVPs have been found recorded in the cemetery with unmarked tombstones. This location is at 13660 County Home Road, Bowling Green.

5. Sam B’s
This is a popular restaurant in downtown Bowling Green. The third floor of this restaurant was once a theater, and it also is rumored to have housed a murder many years ago. The theater is now closed to the public. Employees claim there have been many suspicious happenings including wine bottles falling from the racks to the floor. The kitchen is also believed to be haunted.

6. On-campus theaters
The John C Brown and Eva Marie Saint Theaters in University Hall are said to be haunted by a ghost named Alice, who remains to be a mystery. Some say she was an actress who was playing a role and was killed by a falling object during a performance. Other stories say she was killed in a car crash while returning to the University to collect an award. Superstition holds that performers and stage manager must invite Alice to the show or bad things will happen opening night. Usually a seat is left for her at each performance. Even though there are no longer any theaters in University Hall, the Eva Marie Saint moved to Wolfe Center and maybe Alice moved with it.

7. Kohl Hall
This residence hall is said to be haunted by a boy named Joey. Before Kohl was established, there was a bakery, which was destroyed in fire in its place. He is said to be haunting his place of rest. He runs up and down the halls and plays tricks on the residents. Doors have been locked, lights and electronics turn on and off, items have been stolen while residents are still in the room, gone without a trace and strange noises occur that are unexplainable. Some residents have reported a knocking at their door at late hours to no one being at the door.
Celebrate the little things

Faith Hufford
Columnist

We've all seen the signs: “Today is national _____ day! Donate to the cause!” or “This month is national _______ month! Help us celebrate!”

Awareness days and months are important in a world filled with many causes that deserve recognition.

November brings with it its own awareness days, some of which I am about to share with you. While the following items are more silly than serious, it's important to remember that there are many other serious awareness days and months. World Kindness Day, International Day for Tolerance, International Survivors of Suicide Day, Native American Heritage Day, Veteran’s Day, Remembrance Day, World Diabetes Day, National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, Adoption Awareness Month and many others are all a part of the November month. Now, without further ado, I present:

My top ten November awareness days:

1.) Go Cook for Your Pets Day (Nov. 1)
According to nationaldaycalendar.com, this day is all about doing something special for that little love muffin waiting for you at home. I know my sweet pooch can expect an extra yummy bone this year!

2.) Plan Your Epitaph Day (Nov. 2)
According to daysoftheyear.com, this is the perfect day to set aside some time to figure out what you’re going to have to say about yourself before you’re gone. Perhaps during a graveyard picnic?

3.) Fountain Pen Day (Nov. 2)
“A time to embrace, promote, and share the use of fountain pens.” — fountainpenday.org

4.) Fill Our Staplers Day (Nov. 5)
According to daysoftheyear.com, this day was created by some people who were fed-up with their staplers running out of staples in their greatest moment of need. Celebrate by taking a moment to ensure that your stapler is filled to the brim with working staples.

5.) Bittersweet Chocolate with Almonds Day (Nov. 7)
I bet you didn't know that this is just as much of a historical remembrance day as it is a food enthusiast day. According to daysoftheyear.com, this is one of the oldest recipes involving chocolate known in the English-speaking world. So go ahead. Indulge. This is as good as an excuse as any!

6.) Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day (Nov. 15)
I'll admit it. Sometimes I leave food in the fridge for a little too long. If you're like me, maybe this day will be just the kick in the pants you need to ensure your household food preservation appliance is spotless which is, according to nationaldaycalendar.com, what this day is all about.

7.) Blasé Day (Nov. 25)
Take this day to be, as nationaldaycalendar.com states, indifferent or bored with life. Not grumpy. Not happy. Just ... meh.

8.) Stay Home Because You're Well Day (Nov. 30)
Sometimes, as nationaldaycalendar.com reminds us, it's valid to take a day off to stay at home for no other reason than you’re well! Not that I’m encouraging you to cut class or work, but if you’re able, celebrate this day by staying home and doing things that bring you joy.

Learning to not act your age

Miah Paloma
Columnist

I am slowly coming to the conclusion that there is no such thing as acting your age. Allow me to explain. In our minds, we are invincible. It’s like we are born with the idea that we are the most indestructible beings. That’s why babies tend to waddle towards things that may hurt them. (I am a babysitter back home, and the amount of times the newly walking babies waddle in front of a slide as a kid is sliding is down is ridiculous.)

The horrid reality is we are more fragile than we think. We are fragile, not in a sense that we are cheaply made like a dollar store off-brand Barbie but fragile like the antiques your grandma has in her living room. We are valuable. Like fine wine, we get better with age. Some become sweet, others become dry and some bitter. We age with time and experience, making our lives rich in taste and insight.

If you were like me when you were younger, you pictured college students as being well-put-together, intelligent beings. Now that we’re of college age, we’ve realized the rumors about always being broke are true, we don’t know what we’re talking about half of the time and we’re barely holding on to our sanity with each day.

What I am trying to say is that “acting your age” is a myth we have made up to justify why another person’s behavior is not acceptable. I don’t think there’s a single way we are supposed to act. The main problem with this myth is it implies that as adults we aren’t allowed to engage in innocent fun. I certainly don’t fit this idea in any way. I have so many quirky things about me, it’s ridiculous. I love fluffy slime — it relieves stress for me, I take pictures for fun and I have a typewriter.

The only thing that is really scary is feeling like you can’t have fun in this day and age. I feel like today people are too concerned with how others will perceive them. I think we all have a right to enjoy life. So, act like you at your age, and if you don’t know what that is, figure it out! Forget what other people see. What quirky, weird things do you enjoy? Don’t be afraid to be the rich, fine wine you are.
Panelists offer rental advice

April Leygraaf
Reporter

Resources on campus and in Bowling Green address common renting questions for University students during the Undergraduate Student Government’s town hall Monday night. A panel of city representatives informed students of laws and best practices in regard to leasing and living off-campus.

Off-campus students were advised to seek legal advice before signing leases. Student Legal Services Managing Attorney Rodney Fleming said students can come into the Student Legal Services office to receive counsel on their lease.

Panlists at the meeting also broke down some common issues renters may have in Bowling Green. Fleming said the biggest questions he gets from students are about lease reviews and subleasing for the spring semester or summer.

Fleming advised students to be critical when looking at houses to rent and make sure they are getting their money’s worth. He encouraged students to pay close attention to the condition of the houses they visit and to make sure everything is in good shape before signing a lease.

He said students who seek off-campus housing as a cheaper alternative to living on campus should consider all the expenses that come with living in a house, including utilities. “If you are convinced this is going to be cheaper, make sure you are comparing apples to apples,” Fleming said.

He also recommended that students who are considering living in apartments should not feel pressured to sign a lease early because apartments are more abundant than houses.

Another main topic was the law in Bowling Green that allows only three unrelated people to rent a house together. This law was put in place soon after the University began to allow students to live off-campus to prevent too many students from living in one house. The rule does not apply to apartments as they tend to have better parking situations and are more accessible.

Landlords in Bowling Green are currently engaged in a lawsuit against the city to overturn the law to allow more than three unrelated residents to live in one house.

“The court's going to decide if that law is going to stand or not,” panelist and City Council member John Zanfardino said.
We invite you to worship with us and look forward to meeting you soon!

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Students of all backgrounds come together at H2O to engage in worship, Scripture-based teachings, and connection with others. This year H2O has two venues—Downtown Bowling Green at 9:00 and 10:30AM (252 S. Main Street) and On Campus at 11:30AM (Union Ballroom). “We are all at different places on our spiritual journey. But no matter where you find yourself right now, we want you to feel welcomed,” said Pastor Bryan Wiles. “You can expect an atmosphere that is friendly and comfortable, teachings that are Biblical, challenging, and honest, and music that is loud, upbeat, and always about Jesus.” The church is one of the largest student groups on campus and averages around 400 students at their weekly services.

While H2O’s main gatherings occur on Sundays, the church has much more going on throughout the week, including various Bible study life groups you could get involved with. “We believe that Groups are the heartbeat of the church,” said Joe Kaloger, H2O staff member. He continued, “It is a time when we open our Bibles in search of the truths that connect to our lives today. For me, I was looking for a community that would help me grow in my search for spirituality and a place to build lasting friendships.” Groups consist of 15-20 people gathered together to get to know each other in the context of community and be a part of discussion on spiritual matters relevant to our lives. H2O offers Groups for people in every season of life, from traditional students living on or off campus to students already meeting within specific communities (such as specific academic majors, athletes, Greek Life, military, internationals, etc.) H2O also offers City Groups for graduate students and recent graduates transitioning to life as young professionals, as well as established city/community members and families.

H2O has many other ways to get involved, in addition to Sundays and Groups. There are opportunities to join teams that serve with the music, video, hospitality, H2O Kids, and more. “Freshman year, I came to H2O to see what it was all about. Then, after getting involved with a group and serving on Sundays, I found a family,” said Tessa Mitan, a student-turned-staffer with the church. “H2O has a ton of opportunities to offer and there is a place for everyone.”

If you want to find out more about H2O, stop by one of their many events this week or check out their website at H2Ochurch.com. Many students have found this church to be a great place to not only meet other students, but to find and experience their relationship with God.

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Best college football games remaining this season

Parker Kern  
Sports Reporter

The 2018 college football season has been great through the first nine weeks of the season. There are teams that have been nothing but dominant (hello, Alabama), and teams that have suffered surprising losses (what the heck, Ohio State?). Regardless of who you root for, here are a handful of games over the final weeks of the season I believe have the biggest impact on the College Football Playoff.

Week 10
Georgia at Kentucky - 3:30 p.m.  
Nov. 3, CBS

This game will be very interesting. It’s a game I think Georgia will win, but I believe it will be a close early game. Kentucky has shocked many as a team that has come out of the woodwork in a very packed SEC and have won many games and climbed through the rankings as a result. I think last year’s national runner-up has a chance to break this game rankings as a result. I think last year’s national runner-up has a chance to break this game

Week 11
Clemson vs. Boston College - TBD,  
Nov. 10

Boston College has been very tough, winning six games this year and only losing two thus far. They roughed up the Hurricanes of Miami last weekend, and they will be hoping for the same result against a Clemson team that hasn’t yet played a tremendous opponent this year. Boston College will be at home: the perfect sight for an upset over a top team in the nation. BC’s defense looks stout — look for those 11 to give Tigers’ freshman quarterback Trevor Lawrence fits all night. Sure, Clemson will be favored to win, but as my dad says, “That’s why they play the game.” If there is a game Clemson will lose this year, it will be one they don’t expect to lose. This game could have the perfect makings for an upset, making Clemson’s chances of reaching the CFP much more difficult.

Week 12
Syracuse vs. Notre Dame (Yankee Stadium, New York) - 2:30 p.m.  
Nov. 17, NBC

Notre Dame has been on an illusoriug roll all season, but as I wrote above about Clemson, the game you sometimes lose as a favorite is a game you plan on winning. Notre Dame is favored to go a perfect 12-0 this season, but they mustn’t lose focus against the Orange. They almost upset Clemson earlier this season, and have had some great wins against other ACC foes. They want to spoil Notre Dame’s chances at going to the CFP. Without the Irish having a conference championship game to win, if they lose against Syracuse or at any point down the line, their playoff hopes may be over.

Week 13
Oklahoma at West Virginia - 8 p.m.  
Nov. 23, ESPN

Ah, an old fashioned Big 12 shootout. Two elite quarterbacks, two prolific offenses who can score 50 points without even breaking a sweat. Two defenses? They’ll have to work on that one. This game will pit the two best teams in the Big 12 against each other. I believe Oklahoma will win this game, win the Big 12 and have a shot at the playoff, but anything is possible in the Big 12. Oklahoma seems to be a popular pick to win the Big 12, but West Virginia also wants a shot at a national title. Get your popcorn ready; this game will be fun. Time out your bathroom breaks, though, because if you go in the middle of a quarter, you might miss two or three touchdown scores.

Michigan at Ohio State - 12 p.m.  
Nov. 24, FOX

I’ll tell you what: I was at the 2016 Ohio State-Michigan game in Columbus, and it was one of the greatest experiences of my life. I went with an old friend from high school, who was and is an Ohio State student. We woke up at 2 a.m. to attend College Gameday, then both ate some brats, made some corn hole and moseyed on in to the stadium for the noon kickoff. The game was a chess match for 60 minutes, and went into double overtime before Ohio State won. As Curtis Samuel ran in the game-winning touchdown, I thought I was going to die because the stadium was shaking so much.

Anyhow, the atmosphere of that day in Columbus will be duplicated and, dare I say, will be even crazier this year than The Game in 2016. Urban Meyer still has not lost to Michigan in his time in Columbus, and all he and the Buckeyes want to do after the Purdue loss is decimate every opponent in their sight. Since losing to Notre Dame in Week 1, Michigan has been efficient and dominant on both sides of the ball. Michigan’s defense and Ohio State’s offense will offset one another. The difference in this game will rest in the hands of Michigan quarterback Shea Patterson. If he can score points on an Ohio State defense that has been disappointing all year, which is now missing a phenomenal player in Nick Bosa, who is training for the NFL Draft, this might be Michigan’s best shot at beating the Buckeyes.

The winner of this game will go on to the Big Ten Championship Game and have a great shot at the playoff if they win the conference. This will be the best regular season game of 2018, bar none.
Frustrated Falcons lose another to Kent State

Evan Hayes
Pulse Editor

A second win of the season was within the Falcons’ grasp Tuesday night under the lights at the Doyt Perry Stadium, but a late touchdown by conference opponent Kent State left a frustrated Bowling Green team looking for answers.

The early week matchup between two 1-7 Mid-American Conference foes offered Bowling Green a realistic shot at their first FBS victory of the season. But a failure to capitalize when it mattered most — something that has come to define this lost season for the Falcons — saw Kent State walk away with a 35-28 road victory.

“As you’re learning to win, it seems like if we get down a score, we fight, we come back and we tie it or take the lead, and then we have our letdown,” interim coach Carl Pelini said.

“We’ve got to learn to control our emotions and play under pressure. That’s my job to teach them how to do that.”

Taking over with 2:34 left to play, Kent State quarterback Woody Barrett broke free for a 34-yard run on third down to put the Golden Flashes on BG’s own 18-yard line. Running back Jo-El Shaw then scampered into the end zone on the next play, putting Kent State ahead 35-28.

“We put them into third down, got out of our rush ends and let him out,” Pelini said.

“Something we talked about all week, worked on all week. Those little things. Just little breakdowns that should never happen. We had two guys spying the quarterback and the quarterback gets out and runs for 20 yards.”

With 1:50 left in the game, the Falcons’ offense was able to pick up two consecutive first downs to get down to their own 48-yard line. Doege was sacked on the next play for a loss of twelve and a fumble. Offensive lineman Matt Tanner recovered the ball on the BG 30-yard line, setting the Falcons up with a second and long.

A completion of 16 yards to running back Ra’veion Hargrove and a BG timeout set the Falcons up on third down on their own 26 yard line. Doege threw an interception on the next play, ending the game with nine seconds left to play.

Offensive consistency was hard to find for the Falcons in the contest, who fell behind early 14-13 in the first half and 21-13 at the end of the third quarter. The Falcons only averaged 2.2 yards per carry with 86 rushing yards on 39 attempts while Doege was 20-37 for 207 yards and had three touchdowns and an interception.

The Falcons were only 6-18 on third downs in the game and fumbled the ball twice. Eleven penalties for 85 yards ultimately sapped the offense of any momentum they could find.

The loss drops the Falcons to 1-8 on the season, with a 0-5 MAC record. With two road games followed by a home matchup with conference leader Buffalo to end the season, time is running out for the Falcons to find any positives in a frustrating 2018 season.

“It was tough,” defensive lineman DeMontae Haigler said. “It was truly tough because we were coming off a good week of preparation, focusing on the little things, coming into this game feeling like this is the one where we could get on a roll.”

Bowling Green’s next matchup will be on the road against Central Michigan, who are the only other winless team in the MAC and also hold a 1-8 record for the season. The game will be broadcast on Nov. 10 on ESPN+. Kickoff is scheduled for 3 p.m.

PHOTO BY LINDSEY MORRIS

Rico Frye, Falcons running back, rushes the ball against Kent State Tuesday night.

Trailing 28-21 midway through the fourth quarter, defensive back Marcus Milton forced a fumble that linebacker Kholbe Coleman recovered on Kent State’s 26. With a short field, quarterback Jarret Doege was able to find receiver Noah Massey for a 12-yard touchdown to even the game with 5:34 left to play.

The Falcons’ defense then forced a punt from Kent State on their ensuing drive, giving the offense a chance to take a late lead. But a penalty, a 4-yard loss on a pass to running back Rico Frye in the flat and an incompletion on third and long by Doege saw the drive end in a 34-yard punt to the Kent State 44.
A new national research center is coming to the University in an effort to learn more about toxic algal blooms that affect the Great Lakes and the people living nearby.

Faculty at the University received a $5.2 million, 5-year grant from the National Institute of Health and the National Science Foundation to establish the Lake Erie Center for Fresh Waters and Human Health.

Presidential Rodney Rogers said during a press conference announcing the research center.

“Algal blooms result in losses of more than $2 billion annually,” Rogers said. He went on to say these losses come from the bloom’s effects on our drinking water, agriculture, resources and recreational uses of water.

The center will conduct research to identify the causes of algal blooms that affect the Great Lakes water basin. The University is partnering with the University of Toledo, the University of Michigan and the Ohio State University via the new research center.

Professor George Bullerjahn is the director of the new research center. At the press conference, Bullerjahn gave the history of algal blooms in the area, including the August 2014 Toledo water crisis that contaminated drinking water for 400,000 people.

Bullerjahn said scientists in the Great Lakes region were aware of the threats related to algal blooms prior to the 2014 crisis, citing a Carroll Township water treatment plant that failed in 2013.

He said the difference between the two water crises was that the Carroll Township treatment plant only serves “about 1,000 registered voters,” compared to Toledo’s larger population.

“The Toledo water crisis really brought a wonderful response with the state,” Bullerjahn said.

U.S. Rep. Marcy Kaptur spoke on the importance of protecting the Great Lakes water basin, which includes the Great Lakes and the surrounding land in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. The water basin also spans into the Canadian province Ontario.

“We realized there was no political instrumentality that covered that area,” Kaptur said. “That makes it even more difficult to hold people accountable because anyone can opt out; and you can sign agreements, but that doesn’t necessarily mean anything will really happen.”

Sen. Randy Gardner, the Ohio senate majority leader and an alumnus of the University, praised his alma mater’s faculty and students for making the research center possible.

Agreeing with Rogers, he said, “Public universities need to be important and relevant to our communities — what could be more relevant than clean drinking water and protecting and healing this great asset that we have: Lake Erie?”

Gardner said these issues have “almost” become a bipartisan issue, noting the work of Democrat Kaptur, republican U.S. Rep. Bob Latta and other members of the legislature.
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